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AIR FREIGHT UP 22 PER CENT IN FEBRUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 28 — The nation's air freight business in 1984 is growing at a record pace, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Following a 21.2 per cent gain in air freight in January, the airlines today reported a February freight gain of 22 per cent, over February, 1983. The gain for the first two months was 21.6 per cent.

In domestic service in February, air freight was up 23.4 per cent. Mail increased 19.1 per cent. Total domestic air cargo, including freight and mail, was up 22.4 per cent.

In international service in February, freight increased 19.6 per cent. Mail was up 12.9 per cent. Total international air cargo was up 18.6 per cent.

Total air cargo systemwide in February was up 21.1 per cent.

For the first two months of the year in domestic service, freight increased 24 per cent. Mail was up 16.3 per cent. Total domestic air cargo was up 22.1 per cent.

In international service during the first two months of the year, freight was up 17.6 per cent. Mail was up 14.5 per cent. Total air cargo was up 17.1 per cent.

Total air cargo systemwide during the first two months increased 20.4 per cent.

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CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

	DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
FEBRUARY 1984	293,242	87,623	380,865	168,962	26,072	195,034	462,204	575,899
FEBRUARY 1983	237,690	73,570	311,260	141,303	23,094	164,397	378,993	475,657
PERCENT CHANGE	23.4	19.1	22.4	19.6	12.9	18.6	22.0	21.1
2 MONTHS 1984	574,218	174,926	749,144	321,614	53,000	374,614	895,832	1,123,758
2 MONTHS 1983	463,167	150,438	613,605	273,545	46,304	319,849	736,712	933,454
PERCENT CHANGE	24.0	16.3	22.1	17.6	14.5	17.1	21.6	20.4

NOTES: Carriers included: Aircal, Air Florida, Alaska, Aloha, American, Capitol, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

Northwest data are not included in international figures.